

Remarks: Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. In the previous office action, the examiner indicated that claims 18-20 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Former claim 19 depended from claim 17 which depended from claim 11. New independent claim 21 contains the limitations of former claims 11, 17 and 19. Furthermore, claims 25 and 26, former claims 15 and 16 which were withdrawn by the examiner, now depend from an allowable claim 21; therefore, the election of species issue should now be moot. Therefore, applicant respectfully avers that the application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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